

# General Environmental Incident Summary

**Incident:** 3264      **Notice:** 3/25/2014      1237      **Occurred:** 3/24/2014      1600

**DEM Incident No:**

**No Further Action:** ☒

**Responsible Party:** Gavilon Fertilizer, LLC

**County:** Burleigh

**Twp Rng Sec Qtr:** 139 78 30

**Lat Long + Method:** 46.83724 -100.56230 Navigation quality GPS

**Location Description:** Mile marker 175 on westbound I-94, east of Bismarck, North Dakota

**Submitted By Info:** Brian Wanzenried  
Gavilon Fertilizer, LLC  
1331 Capital Ave  
Omaha NE 68102

**Received By Info:**

**Contact Info:** Chad Hahn  
1821 2nd Ave North  
Moorhead MN

**Affected Medium:** 02 - water

**Near. Occupied Bldg:** 0.22 Miles

**Type of Incident:** Vehicle Accident

**Release Contained:** No

**Reported to NRC:** Yes

**Contaminant:** Motor oil (hydraulic or lubricating oil)

**Volume of Release:** 1 pounds

**Duration of Release:** 1 days

**Agriculture Related:** No

**EPA Extremely**

**Hazardous Substance:** No

**Number of Fatalities:** 0

**Number of Injuries:** 1

**Cause of Incident:**

Traffic accident caused semi-truck to leave road and enter a drainage ditch alongside Interstate 94. Semi-truck engine was partially submerged and apparently leaked oil from the engine.

**Risk Evaluation:**

Low risk. No immediate hazards identified.

**Potential Env. Impacts:**

Water was impacted and adjacent soil may also have been impacted.

**Action Taken/Planned:**

Truck was removed from the water. Ice is limited oil movement. Western Plains Consulting is mobilizing out to the site to contain and recover spilled oil.

**Wastes Disposal Location:**

We have not identified a disposal company, but it will be conducted in accordance with applicable regulations (i.e., treated as used oil).

**Other Agencies Involved:**

National Response Center

## **Updates**

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**Date:** 3/25/2014      **Status:** Reviewed - Follow-up Required

**Author:** Roberts, Kris

**Notes:**

Reported through ND DES. Brian O'Gorman followed-up for the department.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update

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**Date:** 3/25/2014      **Status:** Inspection

**Author:** O'Gorman, Brian

**Notes:**

Arrived on location at 9:20 a.m., 3/25/2014. 15 degrees F, partly cloudy, NW wind 15-20 mph. Observed site and took photographs. Spoke with the representative from Gavilon Fertilizer, who informed me that they were in the process of contracting an environmental remediation firm to assess and reclaim any impacts to the soil near the accident and water the truck was submerged in. Semitruck and trailer were removed from the slough area around 10:50 a.m. Observations of the water showed a slight sheen of oil or fuel on the surface of the open water. It appeared that the open water was moving toward the north, and the sheen was migrating under the ice. Follow up with environmental contractor to determine extent and amounts of release contained.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update

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**Date:** 3/25/2014      **Status:** Correspondence

**Author:** O'Gorman, Brian

**Notes:**

Contacted by the environmental consulting firm at 1:35 p.m., 3/25/14. The consultant informed me that they were in the process of creating a contract for the truck release and were planning on assessing the situation from the point of release and assessing downstream areas for possible oil-boom deployments. Contractor will contact us when contract is final and assessment is completed.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update

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**Date:** 5/6/2014      **Status:** Correspondence

**Author:** O'Gorman, Brian

**Notes:**

Received phone call from Gavilon representative, Mr. Brian Wanzenreid, at 15:35, 5/6/14. Mr. Wanzenreid informed me the date for the incident entered into the incident report should have been March 24, instead of March 25, 2014. Incident date was changed to March 24, 2014 at the time of this update.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update

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**Date:** 6/13/2014      **Status:** Correspondence

**Author:** O'Gorman, Brian

**Notes:**

Received an email from Gavilon representative on Thursday 6/12/2014, inquiring about the status of the truck accident diesel release and WPC report. Both are attached to report folder.

Review of the report shows that any residual impacts were removed through absorbent booms or natural attenuation at the location. The report states that, downstream of the release, WPC found "no evidence of petroleum product contamination" four days after the accident and three days after the booms were deployed.

According to the WPC report, every effort was made to capture the diesel fuel that may have remained near the release and downstream. Soils near the release location showed very low PID readings and will attenuate naturally, with no further remediation needed.

Incident report will be forwarded to incident response team leader for closure recommendation.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update

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**Date:** 8/12/2014      **Status:** Correspondence

**Author:** O'Gorman, Brian

**Notes:**

Spoke with the incident response team leader and proposed closing project with the receipt of documentation of release and cleanup efforts (hard copies and electronic copies shown in the folder). Team leader agreed with recommendation to close.

No follow-up required.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update

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**Date:** 9/22/2014      **Status:** Correspondence

**Author:** O'Gorman, Brian

**Notes:**

Received an email from the Gavilon representative concerned with the status of the incident. Replied to representative with incident closure and liability statement. Email presented in folder.

**Updated Volume:** None at the time of this update